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FACT SHEET

MAYOR'S PLAN FOR BALBOA PARK INFRASTRUCTURE HELPS KEEP CRITICAL IMPROVEMENTS MOVING FORWARD

MUSEUMS, THEATRES AND MEETING SPACES GET NEEDED ATTENTION

Mayor Jerry Sanders' plan for infrastructure improvements in Balboa Park is moving forward with a new round of projects. The Mayor's plan is part of his broader effort to address the City's long list of deferred maintenance needs. The Park projects include improvements to museums, senior centers, meeting facilities and theatres.

The Balboa Park infrastructure plan will continue progress begun under the Mayor's balanced budget from last year. It will help secure some of the Park's most significant collections of art and artifacts and will make the walkways leading the Museum of Man and the San Diego Museum of Art safer for visitors.

IMPROVEMENTS WILL CONTINUE INTO THE NEW CALENDAR YEAR

Project	Schedule
Ornamentation Restoration <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Museum of Man• Museum of Art• Casa del Prado	Underway – To be completed by Summer 2008
Over-Height vehicle sensor installation	November 2007
Re-roof Redwood Club Senior Center	December 2007
Re-roof Morley Field Senior Club House	December 2007
Casa Del Prado & Theatre Boiler	Spring 2008
Slurry Seal/Repaving (Park-wide)	Spring 2008
Re-roof San Diego Museum of Art	Completed
Re-roof the Old Globe Theatre	Completed
Re-roof the Museum of Man (phase I)	Completed
Elevated Pedestrian Walkway Repairs	Completed
Museum of Man Dome Engineering Study	Completed

MAYOR'S INFRASTRUCTURE PLANS BRING IMPROVEMENTS IN NEIGHBORHOODS CITY-WIDE

The Mayor's Balboa Park improvement effort is part of his larger push to improve infrastructure throughout the City. Residents will continue to see City crews and contractors hard at work on improvements to streets, libraries, parks and on facilities supporting our water and wastewater systems funded in the Mayor's balanced budget for this fiscal year.

Projects residents will notice include:

- Sewer pipe replacements
- Water pipe replacements
- New heating, ventilation and cooling systems in libraries
- Resurfacing, slurry sealing and overlay for streets
- Sidewalk repairs
- Storm drain improvements

IMPROVEMENTS WILL HELP PRESERVE SAN DIEGO'S ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE

The next phase of the Mayor's improvement plan for the Park is focused on restoring and securing the ornamentation on the façades of the museum buildings and the Casa del Prado. That work will help preserve the highly detailed depictions of scenery and explorers from throughout San Diego history that now adorn these buildings. The intricate artwork was first introduced during the Panama-Pacific Exposition of 1915. It compliments the world-renown eclectic Spanish style architecture that characterizes the park.

In addition to securing the ornamentation on the Museum of Man's building, the Mayor's improvement plan also called for an extensive engineering investigation regarding the museum's main dome tile roof. That structure, and the adjoining California tower are among San Diego's most notable architecture. The investigation of the roof was recently completed and will be used to help design the tile replacement program set to begin in 2010.

The City has also just completed work to repair and strengthen the elevated pedestrian walkway that links the Museum of Man's two buildings near the east end of the Cabrillo Bridge leading into the park.